# **FISCAL NOTE**

## HB 1963

March 8, 2001

**SUMMARY OF BILL:** Amends the retirement law to include school bus drivers in the definition of *teacher* for retirement purposes.

# **ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:**

Increase State Expenditures - \$1,045,000 Annual Amortized Cost Increase Local Govt. Expenditures\* - \$696,000 Annual Amortized Cost

#### Estimate assumes:

- school bus drivers will be allowed to participate in TCRS regardless of whether or not the local government for which they are employed participates in TCRS
- a cost obtained by calculating average salaries for bus drivers, number of bus drivers less estimated number on private contracts, and utilizing the current teacher TCRS contribution rate
- a 60%-40% ratio between state and local funding

### **CERTIFICATION:**

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

James A. Davenport, Executive Director

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<sup>\*</sup>Article II, Section 24 of the Tennessee Constitution provides that: no law of general application shall impose increased expenditure requirements on cities or counties unless the General Assembly shall provide that the state share in the cost.